

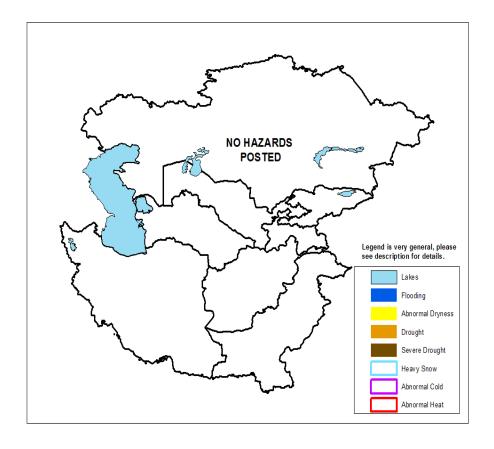
Climate Prediction Center's Central Asia Hazards Outlook September 19 - 25, 2013

Temperatures:

During the first week of September, temperatures averaged 1 to 4 degrees C above normal across southern Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, and Afghanistan. Seasonal temperatures prevailed across northern Kazakhstan. Minimum temperatures fell to 5 degrees C in extreme northeast Kazakhstan. Above normal temperatures are forecast to persist across Central Asia except for the eastern third of Kazakhstan where temperatures are forecast to average 2 to 4 degrees C below normal. The first freeze of the season is likely across northeast Kazakhstan which is not that unusual for the latter half of September.

Precipitation

During the past week, mostly light rain affected the northern Kazakhstan although local amounts exceeded 20 mm. Precipitation anomalies generally are at or above normal for the 30, 60, and 90-day time periods. Seasonal dry weather is forecast to prevail during the next week.



Note: The Hazards outlook map is based on current weather/climate information, short and medium range weather forecasts (up to 1 week), and assesses their potential impact on crop and pasture conditions. Shaded polygons are added in areas where anomalous conditions have been observed. The boundaries of these polygons are only approximate at this continental scale. This product does not reflect long range seasonal climate forecasts or indicate current or projected food security conditions.